



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

"Creating Community Through People, Parks and Programs"

Russ Guiney, Director

May 31, 2011

Mr. John H. Hybarger,
Chairperson, Los Angeles County Fish and Game Commission
500 West Temple Street, Room B-50
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Mr. Hybarger:

**Fish Request #1: Public Education/Scientific Principles
Code 13100 - 13103 (a)**

The Los Angeles County, Department of Parks and Recreation, Santa Fe Dam Recreation Area (SFD) resides in the First Supervisorial District and will be hosting its annual "Moonlight Fishing" event along with the California Department of Fish & Game's "Fishing in the City" program to be held on Friday, September 30, 2011. SFD is working in conjunction with the educational department of the California State Fish and Game. The original request dated April 14, 2011 by Supervisor Molina for \$20,000.00 to support this fishing event and four other fishing events, at \$4,000.00 each has been re-evaluated. Therefore, a supplement of 500 pounds of catfish from the Commission would be an adequate amount of catfish to be stocked into the lake in the month of September 2011.

Through this collaboration with the County of Los Angeles Fish and Game Commission, California State Fish and Game, and SFD will be able to offer the public valuable learning opportunities by providing fish clinics, free rods, free bait and reel loans. In addition to these amenities, volunteers will assist adults and youths in learning fishing techniques and answer questions that inner-city participants might have about catch and release practices, identification of fish types, and any other questions participants may have to enhance their overall knowledge about fishing.

Additionally, I am pleased to inform you that SFD has partnered with the San Gabriel Mountains Regional Conservancy Santa Fe Dam Support Group to assist with these activities. This event has become extremely successful and draws roughly 500 to 1,500 participants.

Thank you for your assistance. Should you have any questions, please give me a call at (626) 334-1065.

Sincerely,

Chris Graham
Superintendent
Santa Fe Dam Recreation Area



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Dear Mr. Hybarger:

**Fish Request #2: Breeding & Raising Fish
Fish & Game Code 13100 - 13103 (d)**

The Los Angeles County, Department of Parks and Recreation, Santa Fe Dam Recreation Area (SFD) resides in the First Supervisorial District. SFD is responsible for managing the aquatic ecosystem of its 70 surface acre lake. This facility is open to the public for fishing seven (7) days a week. SFD's fishery is monitored/patrolled by the California Department of Fish and Game along with the County of Los Angeles Lake Lifeguard Division.

Santa Fe Dam's aquatic ecosystem is and has been ideal for its fish. The fish appear to be thriving; however, the watershed could benefit from fish plantings to increase the longevity of its fishery through the breeding of newly introduced fish. The summer months are ideal for breeding when the water temperature reaches 70 plus degrees.

In addition to request #1, SFD determined that a supplement of 500 pounds of catfish from the Commission to stock the SFD Lake on the following months would be ideal:

- June – 2011 - 500 lbs
- July – 2011 - 500 lbs
- August – 2011 - 500 lbs

As you are well aware, budget issues at the State level as well as cuts to our own County Departments have impacted the ability to sufficiently fund worthwhile programs like this.

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